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## ENGLAND PROPOSES JOINT MEDIATION

THE ALLIED POWERS USING  
EVERY EFFORT TO PRE-  
VENT WAR

## GERMANY IS VERY INDIFFERENT

Will Not Offer Advice To Austria  
As To Course To Pursue in  
Threatened War

London, July 27.—An engagement between Austrians and Servians is reported to have occurred on the Danube, but no details are available and it is not believed to have been of importance. Austria has not yet opened her military operations so far as can be learned.

Meanwhile, diplomacy is proceeding along two separate lines, to avert the war if possible. First, Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary of state for foreign affairs, has proposed to the powers for joint mediation, which, it is said, France and Italy already have accepted. Germany has not yet replied and her acceptance is considered as doubtful.

Sir Edward Grey explained in the House of Commons his idea, which was that Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy, cooperate in an endeavor to arrange the dispute between Austria and Servia on a basis of Servia's reply to Austria's ultimatum. Should the British foreign secretary's efforts to avert war fail, it is expected that by some means he will endeavor to avert complications by confining the hostilities to Austria and Servia.

Russia Holds Key.  
The second line of endeavor, from which even more is hoped for tonight is taking place at St. Petersburg between the Russian minister of foreign affairs and the Austrian ambassador. It is understood that Mr. Sazonoff is making a strenuous effort to bring about a direct understanding and that a solution of these lines would be more agreeable to Germany than Great Britain's conference proposals.

The Russian emperor has postponed his intended visit to Finland in order to be in the capital during the crisis. It is said that Russia is urging Servia to give Austria the fullest possible satisfaction.

An extremely warlike spirit prevails in Vienna, where the evening papers declare the Servians are only making evasions and that therefore, it is impossible for the Austrian government to retreat. Further, they hint that even should Servia accept the Austrian ultimatum unconditionally and offer to pay the cost of the Austrian mobilization, Austria now would be compelled to ask for new guarantees.

Germany Indifferent.  
Berlin, July 27.—Important conferences were held at Potsdam late today between the German emperor, the imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, and the strategic heads of the army and the navy, to determine definitely the German policy in the crisis.

The British and French ambassadors, Sir Edward Goschen and Jules Cambon, called on the minister of foreign affairs, Herr Von Jagow, with communications from their governments.

Authentic information has been received in Berlin that Russia, though not mobilizing her army, is taking certain precautionary military measures.

Runs on savings banks by the small depositors in various parts of Germany are the outstanding features of the day, which despite the first bloodshed in the Austro-Servian conflict, registered a slight but distinct increase in optimism regarding the situation.

The British ambassador made no concrete proposals. It is understood he told the German foreign minister that Great Britain's object was not to intervene in the Austro-Servian controversy, but sought a basis on which Great Britain, France and Germany, by action at St. Petersburg and Vienna could prevent the spread of the conflict.

The French ambassador proposed that Germany use her influence at Vienna in favor of moderation. He was informed that he was willing to let the other powers try, but as Austria's ally she could not interfere with Austria's freedom of action.

Troops are Concentrating.  
The official announcement of Russia that no mobilization of her army had been ordered was supplemented by trustworthy information from Warsaw that among the precautionary military measures taken were the withdrawal of troops from Poland and the immediate frontiers of Germany and Austria for concentration in the interior; the recall of the Russian troops from their summer camps and the cancelling of leave of absence of all officers.

The border is watched by semi-military forces attached to the treasury department known as the frontier guards.

The significant announcement was issued from Potsdam tonight that the Crown Prince had abandoned his intention of returning to Berlin and the Emperor plans to proceed to Wilhelmshohe in a few days on his customary summer visit.

## New Announcements.

J. S. Hammond is announced today as a candidate for Abbeville Township.

J. Edwin Porter announces for the House of Representatives.

## DIDN'T CLOSE ALL THE CLUBS

Governor's Order Doesn't Appear  
To Have Reached Some In  
Columbia

Columbia, July 27.—A mild sensation was produced in the Richland county court house tonight when Dr. M. M. Rice candidate for council, read an affidavit in which it was charged that Mayor Griffith of Columbia had promised to let Albert P. Hiller's club remain on Main street if "Hiller should support in a political way Mr. P. H. Lesene, candidate for the office of city councilman."

According to the affidavit, "Hiller could continue to operate the social club of which he is a manager for the balance of this year in the same place where he is now operating it on Main street."

It is also charged in the affidavit that Hiller was notified by the chief of police in June that the club must be moved off Main street.

Mayor Griffith said that the charges were too absurd to reply to. Immediately following the campaign meeting tonight Mayor Griffith ordered all social clubs raided. The police were at work at midnight.

## PEACE IN MEXICO ALMOST SETTLED

Authorities Are Optimistic Over  
Situation and Say Settlement  
Will Soon Come

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, July 27.—Secretary Bryan tonight announced that the situation as between Carranza government and the Constitutionalists in Mexico was "progressing satisfactorily toward a settlement." The delegates appointed by Provisional President Carranza to the Saltillo peace conference left Mexico City today, and there is every indication, according to the State department advisers, that the conference will be successful.

Advices from Southern Mexico state that Carranza and Zapata representatives had a long conference today, which was satisfactory. Officials now expect that Zapata will cooperate with the Constitutionalists in maintaining peace.

Word was received here tonight that Fernando Iglesias Calderon who is to be Carranza's minister of foreign affairs, had suffered a broken leg in an accident in New York. He was to have been one of Carranza's delegates in the forthcoming conference.

Members of the Constitutionalists junta in Washington said they interpreted Carranza's appointment of the peace commission as meaning that the first chief probably would enter Mexico City before the middle of August.

## SHOOTS UP FAMILY THEN SELF

Boston, July 27.—Thomas H. Dalton, clerk of the East Boston district court, shot and killed his five week old daughter and his wife, and then killed himself early today. Dalton had been at his home for the past two months suffering from a nervous breakdown. He shot the children as they slept.

## NO ONE HURT

Collision at Sea Was Void of Fatalities.

New York, July 27.—The Red Star Line steamship, Zealand, which was in collision in mid-ocean with the British freight steamer Missouri last Wednesday, arrived here tonight with no one hurt.

## SENTENCED TO DIE WANTS NEW TRIAL

Priest Who Murdered Ann Amul-  
ler Offers New Defense—Ar-  
guments Heard Later

New York, July 27.—Hans Schmidt, under sentence of death for the murder of Anna Amuller, applied today for a new trial. Schmidt's counsel asserts the girl was not murdered but died after an operation, and that Schmidt cut up her body to prevent a scandal, and to protect the surgeon who performed the operation. Arguments on the application will be heard October 5.

## Mr. L. A. Smith Dead.

Mr. Lewis A. Smith, a former resident of Abbeville, but who recently moved with his family to Sumter, died at his home in that city last Saturday after a lingering illness.

Mr. Smith conducted a mercantile business here, and made many warm friends. Besides a widow and six children, his father, two brothers, and a sister, Mr. Smith leaves numbers of more distant relatives to mourn his departure, and to these we extend our deepest sympathy.

## SAYS SIGNATURE IS IMITATION

CONTENDS SIGNATURE IS  
NOT GENUINE

## EVIDENCE IS GIVEN

Governor Submits Affidavits To  
Prove That the Names Signed  
Are Genuine

Columbia, July 27.—"I have no further statement to make," said Dr. James H. McIntosh today, when interviewed at the Knowlton hospital. He was wounded early Thursday morning by an unknown man. Dr. McIntosh continues to improve.

Dr. McIntosh declares that the signature to the certificate in the Richey case, which was read by the governor at the Columbia campaign is a clever imitation but that he did not sign it.

The governor has submitted affidavits tending to show that the certificate is genuine. One of these affidavits is from John J. Earle, a brother-in-law of the late Dr. Knowlton, who declares that the signature of Dr. Knowlton is genuine, although he cannot tell as to Dr. McIntosh's, with which he is not familiar.

The other affidavit is from pont Morgan as the first "emergency hospital" and in a later communication told of inducing the Morgan firm John K. Aull, the governor's secretary who says that Dr. McIntosh's signature is genuine, the one on the paper from which the governor read at Abbeville.

The governor says that he could get a hundred affidavits that the signature is genuine.

## WEST END.

Mrs. Lillard of Atlanta is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bradley.

On Thursday evening July 23rd. Mrs. R. L. Dargan entertained in honor of the house guest of Miss Mary Quarles Link. Several tables of rock were assembled and a pleasant evening spent after which salad and ice course was served. The punch bowl was presided over by Misses Mary Taggart and Mamie Bowie.

Rev. James L. Martin spent Monday in Lowndesville with friends.

Miss Statia Wideman of Due West is a guest of Mrs. J. C. Kling.

Mrs. Mamie Wharton who has been attending the summer school in Columbia has returned to the city.

This week has been quite lively for Abbeville. There are several visiting ladies in town and there has been some thing going on every day for the pleasure of the visiting guests.

On last Friday evening the residence of Mr. W. D. Barksdale on Main street was the scene of much pleasure and beauty. Miss Elizabeth Barksdale entertained in honor of her visiting guest Miss Sarah Welsh of N. C. At the door to receive the guests were Mrs. Frank M. Welsh and Mr. A. B. Cheatham, who invited them into the parlor to be presented to those in the receiving line.

These receiving were Misses Barksdale, Welsh, Thompson, Hearst and Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Durst Jr. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Elgin served punch on the piazza. Several hours were spent in chatting, promenading and listening to good music.

About 11:30 a dainty ice cream course was served by Misses Narietta Cheatham and Elizabeth Brown and Master Edwin Barksdale.

Another enjoyable occasion was on Saturday evening when Miss. Mary Bradley entertained for her house guest Miss Lois Reed. At about 8:30 the many couples arrived and were received at the entrance to the hall by Mrs. J. F. Bradley. In the parlor amid a profusion of ferns and palms and cut flowers. Miss Bradley and Miss. Reed assisted by Misses Esther Graydon and Katherine Link received in a most charming manner their many guests who called.

Miss Louise McDill and Mr. Frank Harrison served punch. Miss Margaret Perrin, Leila Link, Susie Stevenson, Margaret Bradley and Edna Bradley served ice cream and cake during the evening.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Pratt are home from a months stay in Washington, where they have been on a visit to Mrs. Pratt's parents.

Miss Burton after a visit to Misses Morse returned to her home.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Bridge Club was held with Mrs. Annie Harris on last Friday afternoon. There was a full meeting and several invited guests. The tables were placed on the spacious piazza and the games were played with much pleasure. Punch was served on the piazza by Miss Fannie Harris and it was very delicious and refreshing on the warm afternoon.

This was one of the most pleasant meetings of the summer season. The next meeting will be with Miss Latimer on Friday week at six o'clock.

Congressman Wyatt Aiken was in town the first of the week, spending Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bradley.

Mrs. Thompson and Miss Gladys Thomson of Pell City, Ala., are visiting

## FATE OF PARKS KNOWN AT LAST

American Whose Death Was In-  
vestigated Was Murdered In  
Cold Blood

(By Associated Press)

Vera Cruz, July 27.—Mute evidence of the fate of Private Samuel Parks, of the 28th infantry, United States army, who was shot to death by a Mexican outpost in front of Vera Cruz early in May, reached Brigadier General Fuston today, when the aluminum tag of identification which Parks wore when he wandered out of the American lines was forwarded by mail from Mexico City.

The six and parts of the blood stained uniform have been replying in the Mexican war office for many weeks. They were sent there when an investigation of the killing of an American soldier demanded by the Washington government was undertaken by the Mexican officials.

What the result of that investigation was or the nature of the report made to Washington is not known here. The Mexican war office, apparently considered the incident closed, however, as the uniform, including Parks' campaign hat, caked with the blood and with a hole in the back of it made by the bullet which probably caused his death, was given to a janitor employed about the war department last Friday, with the statement of an attaché that:

"We don't want this stuff here any longer."

The incident was reported to an American residing in Mexico City and he obtained possession of the identification tag and forwarded it to General Fuston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster Barnwell.

On last Friday evening Miss Ethel Baer entertained at cards in honor of her guests Misses Pruitt, Jackson and Bowie. Miss Margaret Williams assisted Miss Baer in entertaining. At the close of the games ice cream and cake was served. A delightful evening was spent by all.

A few miles from Abbeville Miss Clinkscales is entertaining a house party. Her guests are Misses Moore and Parrott and Messrs Stokes and Dunlap. On Friday evening Miss Clinkscales gave a delightful party, inviting a large crowd of friends from different parts of the surrounding country.

Mrs. Otis McMurray and two little boys of Clinton are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McMurray.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Perrin after a delightful visit to New York and other cities are home, returning on last Saturday.

Miss Gladys Wilson gave a most delightful lawn party on Monday night at her country home near Abbeville. Quite a number of the young people of Abbeville were present. The beautiful lawn was filled with the merry crowd and the evening spent chatting and listening to beautiful music and in playing several interesting games. Ice cream and cake was served. The young people say this was one of the most enjoyable parties given in the last week.

Miss Kitty Link honored the guests of Miss Mary Quarles Link on last Wednesday afternoon at an elaborate auction party. Quite a number of tables for auction were arranged in the parlor hall and sitting room where a bevy of gay young folks enjoyed themselves to the fullest until a late hour. Punch was served on the piazza, ice cream and cake was served by several young girls. Delightful music from the victrola was enjoyed during the entire afternoon.

A delightful function of the week was the party given on last Tuesday evening by Miss Mary Quarles Link in honor of her house guests. Miss Fannie Harris and Dan Hill served punch on the piazza. Ice cream and cake was served at the close of the evening by Misses Leila Link, Margaret Bradley, Susie Stevenson, Elizabeth Faulkner. The visiting girls met all the young ladies and men of Abbeville who have joined together in their efforts to make Miss Links guests have a good time while in town.

Again the young ladies visiting Miss Link are honor guests at an informal luncheon, auction and rook party given by Miss Mary Smith on Saturday morning. Four tables of cards were placed and all spent a delightful morning. About one o'clock a delicious salad course was served.

Little Miss Grace Smith entertained in a most delightful manner her little friends on last Friday afternoon. Her Aunt Miss Grace Smith invited these little folks to her home on Maie St. and entertained Miss Graces friends for her in the large yard. There were quite a number of children who had the time of their lives playing, and eating and drinking. This was an ideal party and will long be remembered. Delicious ice cream and cake was served and all the good lemonade they could drink. And "last but not least" all sorts of souvenirs were given the little folks to carry home to play with.

Mrs. M. T. Coleman, and Misses Lavinia and Eugenia Coleman, are off for a week at Little Mountain.

Cards are out to a large party given by Mrs. George Penny on Thursday afternoon, a most delightful time is in store for the Ladies of the city.

## CHARLESTON WILL GET TERMINAL

PRESIDENT HARRISON CON-  
FIRMS REPORT TO SEN-  
ATE AT MEETING

## DENIES CHARGES

Says Statements Made By B. L.  
Dulaney Are Erroneous and  
Without Foundation

Washington, July 27.—Confirmation of the intention of the Southern Railway to build immediately at Charleston, S.C., an independent coal terminal, largely for Panama canal traffic, was given today by President Fairfax Harrison before the special senate committee investigating the coal rate situation in the south.

Mr. Harrison told at length of the financial affairs of his road, particularly of its distress in 1908. His cross examination tomorrow on the financial relations between the road and its directors probably will conclude the hearings until next December.

President Harrison said Engineers were now at work preparing plans for the construction of a terminal to accommodate the loading of one ship at a time at Charleston, and that it would take from nine months to a year to complete the work. He said he had desired to arrange to use the proposed Clinchfield road terminals at Charleston, but after months of consideration he had found in May or June last that this was impossible because of objections of shippers.

Costs Immense Sum.  
Mr. Harrison estimated that it would cost \$11,300,000 to put his road from the Appalachian coal fields to Charleston into proper shape for profitable coal transportation and to complete the terminals at Charleston.

He said the charges to the shipper would be the same as that charged by the Norfolk & Western from the Potomac field, although the expense of the traffic to his road would be greater than over the rival line.

During his testimony Mr. Harrison denied emphatically that his road was controlled by the so-called "trust" coal interests by other railroads controlled by these interests, or by Wall Street. He expressed the opinion that B. L. Dulaney, independent coal operator of Bristol, Tenn., who charged in his testimony had faith on the part of the Southern toward coal operators along its line, was suffering from a "delusion of persecution."

President Harrison, referring to Mr. Dulaney, said:

"I believe Mr. Dulaney has a deep-seated hatred for one or two men who have succeeded in the Virginia and Southwestern and Appalachian coal fields where he failed. Being unable to reach these two men he attacked the Southern Railway, as a railroad in these days is always a target for attack."

Resents Charges.  
"I resent with every fibre of my being the charges of bad faith and chicanery brought about the organization of the Southern, and I think I am supported therein by that great mass of people who have done business with us in the south. I feel a further resentment at the charge that the direction of the policy of the Southern Railway has been in outside hands and that the management has been for any other interest than that of the south. The ambition and policy of the Southern has been to take a part in the regeneration of the south and in that policy its officers and management all along has shaped its course."

Refers to Growth.  
President Harrison gave a historical description of the growth of the Southern, emphasizing particularly Howth, 2,500 miles and 160,000 miles of annihilation were landed under the "brilliant campaign of railroad acquisition" carried on by the late President Spencer.

President Harrison was questioned regarding the Southern's purchase of the Virginia & Southwestern railway, which Dulaney charged was effected at an unacceptably high figure.

"I asked Mr. Spencer why he paid \$200 a share for the Virginia and Southwestern," testified Mr. Harrison, "and he said he had to get it—that there was competition for it and he felt the Southern needed it to get to the Appalachian field."

Mr. Harrison characterized as "absolutely untrue," the charge made by Dulaney that the Pennsylvania railroad influenced the affairs of the Southern. He declared his company had favored the development of hydro-electric power, saying it developed industries and could bring "glory enough for all."

In Hard Luck.  
Mr. Harrison said the sudden death of President Spencer left the company with one of the severest difficulties a railway ever faced.

"In 1908 we came near disaster as a railroad can come," added Mr. Harrison. "A railroad with income \$200 a share for the Virginia and Southwestern, and I can borrow, but our income fell off. I spent the time in New York trying to borrow money and President Finley spent his time on the road to cut off expenses."

Mr. Harrison read several letters he wrote to President Finley at the time one told of borrowing \$2,000,000 from three New York banks for three months at 10 per cent. Mr. Harrison suggested to the president that all construction be stopped and the cash box closed down. He spoke of J. Pierpont Morgan's money to tide over the Southern.

## CATHOLICISM IS PUT UNDER BAN

Decree Limiting Their Operations  
Is Enforced in Mexican  
Principality

(By Associated Press.)

Tampico, Mex., July 26.—Via Laredo, Texas, July 27.—A decree limiting the scope of the Roman Catholic church on the ground of "public health, morality and justice" was issued today by Antonio I. Villareal, governor and military commander. He said:

"During the life of the nation, the church has been a pernicious factor in disruption and discord and has entirely forgotten its spiritual mission."

The most drastic feature of the decree is the prohibition of confession. Villareal gives as the reason for this the charge that the confessional and the sacristy in Mexico have become a menace to morality.

The decree issued in Monterey, makes the following orders for government of Catholic Schools and churches:

1. All foreign Catholic priests and Jesuits of whatever nationality will be expelled from the State of Nuevo Leon.

2. Of the remaining Catholic priests those who cannot prove their abstinence from politics will be expelled.

3. Churches will remain open daily from 6 in the morning until 1 in the afternoon. Only priests having permission to do so will be permitted to officiate.

4. Confession is prohibited.

5. The public is prohibited from entering the sacristy.

6. Church bells shall ring only to celebrate fiestas, in honor of the country, or for triumphs of the arms of the Constitutionalists.

7. All Catholic colleges will be closed which do not obey the programs and texts ordered by officials, and which do not have at their head some professor who is a graduate of the normal schools of the country who will be responsible for the government or any infraction of the rules.

8. Any infraction of these rules will be punishable by a fine of one hundred to five hundred dollars and arrest and imprisonment from two to four months, or both fine and imprisonment. In event of a second offense the school will be closed."

## THE "MELTING POT" IS NOW ASSURED

Suffs Have Completed Arrange-  
ments With Director Roberts  
of the Mint

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, July 27.—Arrangements for converting into coin the donations of old gold and silver that are being made to help in the "votes for women" campaign have been made with directors Roberts, of the mint, by the National Woman Suffrage Association.

The fund realized by this "melting pot" plan is to be used in the suffrage campaigns in Montana, Nevada, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri and Ohio. The women hope it will amount to \$50,000.

## HUBBY WON'T WORK

Noted Actress Files Suit for Divorce  
Charging Cruelty and Non-Support.

Chicago, July 27.—Suit for divorce was filed here today by Mrs. Trixie Goettler, known on the stage as Trixie Friganza, against Charles A. Goettler, charging cruelty and non-support. Mrs. Goettler set forth that she was married March 10, 1912, and that she left Goettler, February 1 last. She alleges he refused to work and that she has been forced to pay large sums of money in settlement of debts contracted by him.

## FOREIGNERS IN BALTIMORE

Over One Thousand May Be Called  
to the War.

Baltimore, July 27.—A sufficient number of Austro-Hungarian "reservists" to form a regiment live in Baltimore, according to a statement today by Consul Hester. He said that of the 20,000 natives of the dual monarchy in that city, more than 1,000 are subject to call for war.

Met All Obligations.  
"We were able in 1909 to refund \$31,000,000 development bonds and then we were over the hill," explained President Harrison.

"But every cent of this was to meet obligations incurred during the acquisition period, and so President Finley had not a cent of new capital to do things he desired. He did get \$31,000,000 new money from surplus income which he put into the property in the form of improvements. But he could not make great improvements like giving adequate terms to the south. How often have I heard him wish for money to do this."

He did start to finish some terminals for the collection of railroads. President Spencer had bought was fit to go into a museum. Until recent years the railroads of the south have been horribly inadequate because the "traffic" would not support improvements.

Mr. Finley was not able to do much but he started out to iron out his collection of railroads by building terminal connections. As soon as he died I went out and borrowed ten million dollars on the credit; he had made for the Southern to do some of the things he had so wanted to do. If President Spencer is to be known as the maker of the Southern map, President Finley is to be known as the builder of its credit and organization."

## STILL RIOTING IN DUBLIN

RIOTING IS STILL GOING ON  
IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF  
DUBLIN

## MANY IN PARADES

Not Until Dawn Did Police Succeed in Dispersing the Vast  
Throngs in the Marches

Dublin, July 27.—Rioting broke out again today but subsided without serious results. The rumor was afloat that the Scottish borderers would entrain at the Amiens street station. A great crowd, mostly from the slums, surrounded the station. The rioters stoned the street cars.

Six hundred volunteers paraded through the streets, a crowd numbering several thousand following them, singing.

Feeling runs high throughout National Ireland. Town councils are adopting resolutions denouncing the massacre. The soldiers of the Limerick and Kilkenny garrisons are confined to barracks. Concerts by military bands in several towns have been canceled.

The lord mayor of Dublin has called a meeting of the magistrates to consider the action of the castle authorities in calling out the police and soldiers without consulting the city officials. The police threaten a strike unless those members of the department who were dismissed for disobedience of orders are reinstated.

It was dawn today before the police succeeded in dispersing the crowds marching through the streets singing patriotic songs and looking for soldiers of the Scottish borderers on whom to inflict vengeance for the fatal events of yesterday. The crowd finding out that the soldiers had been ordered to remain in barracks, attacked the Royal barracks and clamored for the soldiers to come out. Finally the mob kicked down a gate and fired a couple of shots, before it was dispersed by the police.

Landing of arms yesterday for the Nationalists was carried out in a most daring manner. The yacht from which the munitions were brought, ashore already had landed 2,500 rifles and 125,000 rounds of ammunition at isolated points along the coast. Yesterday's was undertaken to show that the Nationalists could do what the Union Uster forces had had done. eyes of the police, the telegraph wires having been cut to prevent communication with Dublin. A body of National volunteers started for Dublin with 1,000 rifles. The police sent to intercept the volunteers cheered the gun runners and everything seemed to be going on smoothly until the battle scene.

While the leaders of the volunteers and the regimental officers were parleying the rank and file of the volunteers scattered and got away with the rifles.

## Picnic.

Barbecue and picnic dinner at Sharon School House Friday, July 31st. The public and candidates all invited to come.

## Personal.

Rev. Dr. Martin will leave for Newberry on Saturday to hold two meetings; one at Smyrna to include the first Sunday in August, the other at Morris Chapel to include the second Sunday in August.

## Canning Corn.

In another column will be found an article headed "Canning Corn On and Off the Ear." This article is published at the request of Mrs. W. O. Cromer, for the benefit of the girls of the Tomato Canning Club, but it would be well for each subscriber to read and study it.

## Opera House This Week.

Manager Cheatham has secured the "Belmont Quartette" as a special attraction at the opera house this week.

The program Monday night was splendid indeed, and those who fail to attend the show this week will miss a rare treat. The regular program of four reels of pictures is also given, and the price of admission remains the same—5 and 10c.

## Colored Knights of Pythias in Session.

The Tenth Annual Convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias (colored) of South Carolina, is being held in Abbeville this week. The opening was held at St. James A. M. E. Church Monday evening.

Mayor C. C. Gambrell welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city, saying in part that "Abbeville is always glad to welcome the better class of negroes, and as long as you conduct yourselves in the right way, we shall always be glad to welcome you."

Dr. Gambrell emphasized the importance of good citizenship, and his talk will be of lasting good to the Lodge and to the race.

The convention will close with the grand Parade through the streets on Thursday afternoon.

## Congressional Party Here Today

The candidates for Congress will be here today and will address the voters at the Court House.